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**REMARKS**

The Examiner rejected independent claim 1 under section 102 based on Hubbard (U.S. patent No. 5,950,398). Applicant's foregoing proposed  
5 amendments and the further clarification in the specifications of the "opening" in garage door panels clearly differentiate the claims from the cited reference. The cited reference provides for the use of a rabbet that provides the area adjacent and inside the opening that will receive the exterior panel flange's underside. Claim 1, on the other hand, requires the flange member to be outside the opening and there  
10 is practically no limitations or precision required for the area that the flange underside will take.

New claim 5 specifies that the transparent panel is a one-pane panel. This also differentiates the claim from the cited art.

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Applicant's proposed amendments obviate the Examiner's objections and believe his application is now allowable and ready to be passed to publication and request an early favorable action. Should the Examiner desire to sustain this rejection, the courtesy of a telephonic conference between the Examiner, the  
5 Examiner's supervisor, and the undersigned attorney is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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